

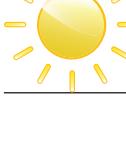
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Jamar Samuels, senior forward, rebounds the basketball in the second half of the game against Texas Tech on Tuesday in Bramlage Coliseum.

Men's basketball team manages victory against Texas Tech despite foul troubles

Jared Brown
staff writer

The K-State men's basketball team capped off its two-game home stand on Tuesday with a 65-46 victory over the Texas Tech Red Raiders.

It didn't take long for the Wildcats to get on the board as junior guard Rodney McGruder hit a 3-pointer less than 20 seconds into the game. Texas Tech responded, though, with a dunk by freshman forward Jordan Tolbert.

After the quick start, things slowed down as both teams struggled to hit shots. The Red Raiders shot 6-of-20 from the field in the first half and the Wildcats shot 6-of-26 from the field. K-State head coach Frank Martin anticipated the slow start from the Wildcats even before the game began.

"The assistants came in after warm-ups," Martin said. "They said 'this might not be very fun tonight. There's just no en-

thusiasm out there,' and that's how we played. Defensively we were OK. We got to our spots and tried to take care of some of the responsibilities. Offen-

and managed to pull away

from Texas Tech with several free throws late in the half taking a 31-17 lead into halftime.

The Wildcats contin-

"We got a little lazy but I thought for the most part we talked, we got to the right places, we guarded the ball, and we didn't give them easy shots.

Frank Martin
K-State head coach

sively we were just watching guys walk around."

Junior guard Martavis Irving gave K-State a much-needed lift in the first half by connecting on two 3-pointers and totaling eight points in the half. Sophomore guard Shane Southwell also added seven points for the Wildcats in the opening half.

The Wildcats (17-6, 6-5) took advantage of 13 Red Raider turnovers

used to add to their lead in the second half and were even up by as much as 22 points at one point in time.

Freshman forward Adrian Diaz helped the Wildcats' offense in the second half as he scored seven points and grabbed five rebounds. Southwell added to his strong first half with six more points in the second. He also led

the team in scoring for the game with 13 points, a

career-high.

"I missed a couple shots I should have made," Southwell said. "But I've been playing well in practice lately and I think that just carried over to the game."

The Red Raider offense continued to struggle, and although they were able to cut the K-State lead down to 10 with 2:54 left to play in the game, the Wildcats would finish strong and stretch the lead back out to 19 when the game came to an end.

In a game that was plagued by a total of 53 fouls between the two teams, Martin expressed that his team seemed to lack an understanding of the fact that there are only a handful of games left to play in the regular season.

"It's called immaturity," Martin said. "It's called not respecting the fact that your senior teammates are down to eight

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Hazardous dump to be removed

Division of public safety anticipates 1,890 tons of earth to be removed, shipped to Utah for disposal.

Tim Schrag
senior staff writer

It covers nearly one-third of an acre just north of Bill Snyder Family Stadium and can be seen from the parking lot. For years members of the purple nation tailgated next to the fenced-off area, most of them probably oblivious to what it was or assumed it was part of the agronomy farm.

Little did they know they were tailgating next to a state-approved chemical landfill for low-level radioactive and other hazardous wastes.

"There was no danger to anyone and we wouldn't have allowed tailgating if there was even any potential danger," said Kelly Greene, K-State's environmental manager. "We've always had the site fenced off. We wear radiation badges and the badges stay out overnight ... and nothing has ever showed up on the badges."

The Old Chemical Waste Landfill was created in the 1960s as a state approved burial ground for low-level radioactive wastes left over from experiments and projects conducted by the university.

"As landfills go it's a pretty

small potato size-wise and quantity-wise," said Steve Galitzer, director of public safety.

Both Galitzer and Greene said it was very common practice for major universities to have landfills like K-State's; the University of Kansas and the University of Nebraska both have landfills, as do many across the U.S.

Low level radioactive wastes, chemicals from laboratories, wastes from agronomy farms and animal carcasses from research experiments were among the most common items for burial in the landfill until regulations changed and burial

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was stopped in 1987.

A 50-by-50 foot building was constructed on top of the landfill site to cap the landfill and prevent water from moving contaminants away from the site.

Chemical and radioactive wastes were stored there for no more than 90 days before being

removed by PSC Environmental, a waste removal contractor. Although most of it is incinerated, some things like mercury are recycled.

"We don't put anything back in the landfill because that could come back to get us later," Greene said.

Recently the building on the facility was taken down in order to begin removing the contents of the landfill.

"You could let it stay there and eventually all the chemicals would break down and would go away, but that would take an extremely long period of time," Greene said. "We have to monitor this. We've been monitoring this since the '90s and that costs money. The best thing to do, the least expensive way is to just get rid of it."

Removal began on Feb. 1, and Greene said they expect it to take at least 45 days.

Removal of the landfill will cover the whole one-third acre and will go at least 20 feet below the surface.

She said the division of public safety anticipates that nearly 7,000 cubic yards - or 1,890 tons - of earth will be removed from the landfill.

The contents of the landfill will be placed into containers and shipped to Utah for disposal. Any intact chemical containers will be handled through the K-State's hazardous waste contractor. From there samplings will take place to determine if all hazardous materials have

been removed.

Removal is expected to be completed by April 15.

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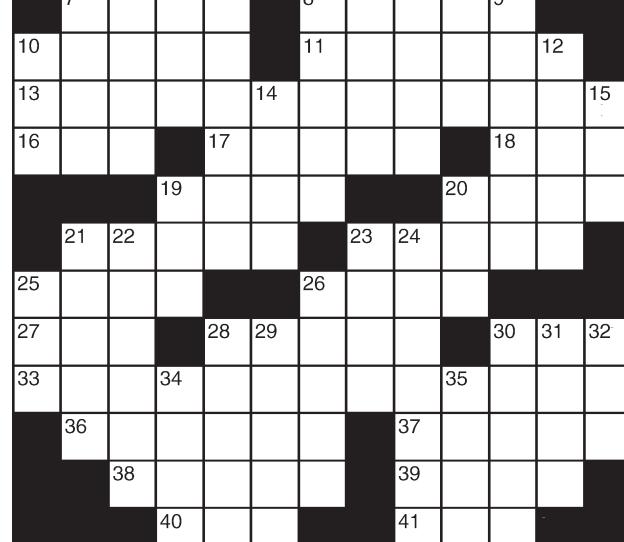
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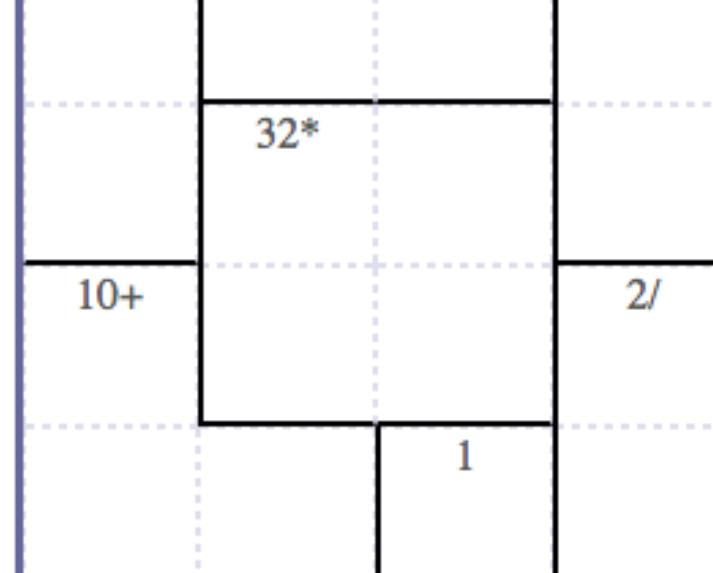
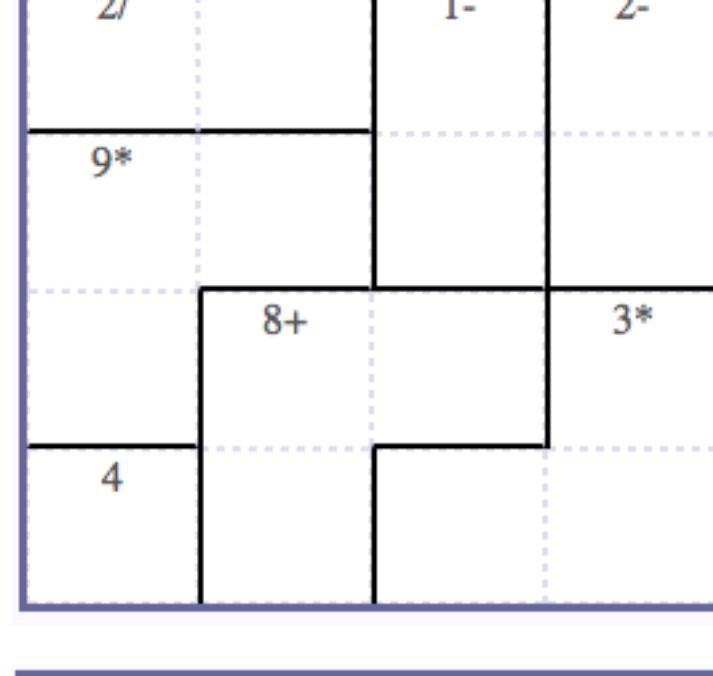
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Willie the Wildcat: K-State's longtime fan

Spencer Low
staff writer

Many people around the nation claim to be the No. 1 fan of their favorite sports team, but in Manhattan, there is no question that Willie the Wildcat is K-State's No. 1 fan. Willie is the physical embodiment of everything people love about K-State: he leads the preposterously loud student section at sporting events, he meets with adoring fans of all ages, travels around the community and appears anywhere K-State spirit is strong.

Dani Ruoff coaches both Willie and K-State's cheerleaders and oozes pride for the mascot.

"I'm Mama Wildcat," said Ruoff.

This mama does not just give rides to soccer practice — Willie has made more than 100 appearances this year and that number does not include sporting events. Last summer, Willie attended about 30 weddings and is present at various events, from K-State recruitment events to baby showers to birthday parties, even a wiener dog race.

A previous Willie commented on how much fun some birthday parties could be.

"It scared the heck out of the kids, they would just go nuts," he said.

Alumni Willie, who gained the ability to talk upon graduation, could not say enough of how incredible the whole experience was.

"Honestly, looking back, it was a great experience to have in college that not many people get to do," Alumni Willie said.

I asked our current Willie if it was worth not having the experience of tailgating and sitting in the student section during football season, and was met with an emphatic nod and thumbs up. But Willie still gets a tailgating experience, even if it is not playing washers and grilling burgers.

There are usually about four or five tailgates which request an appearance by Willie, and he is more than happy to oblige. He is escorted around a security detail of sorts, and his two escorts are responsible for getting Willie around the parking lot while he is engulfed by fans in every direction. It is up to these two to make sure Willie arrives places on time, which means that sometimes they have to be the bad guys and pull Willie away from groups of people.

As he leaves, kids often chase

after him yelling and screaming for a simple nose rub, one of his signature moves, and he always finds a few seconds to turn around and give them one.

"Willie always knows that he has made someone's day," Ruoff said of Willie's pregame visits around Bill Snyder Family Stadium.

Once he is finished with his tour of the parking lots, Willie heads into the game. Nothing amps up the K-State student section like tackling the opposing "fan" at midfield, and Willie scribbled out that it was his favorite part of game day.

"Nothing like teeing off on someone on the Powercat at midfield," he scrawled out quickly.

Alumni Willie favored another part of the mascot experience.

"My favorite part was definitely doing the K-S-U after the tackle," Alumni Willie said.

With 50,000-plus fans cheering Willie on, this pregame ritual is clearly an incredible experience that few get to have and the rest of us get to dream about.

During the game, Willie roams around getting the crowd into the game, and most importantly, he does a pushup for every point the Wildcats have

scored to that point after every scoring drive.

According to the Twitter page of "@FakeWillie," real Willie had completed 1,551 pushups by the end of the Cotton Bowl last season. Games like K-State's four-overtime win over Texas A&M, with 53 points scored by the Wildcats, definitely take almost an endless supply of stamina.

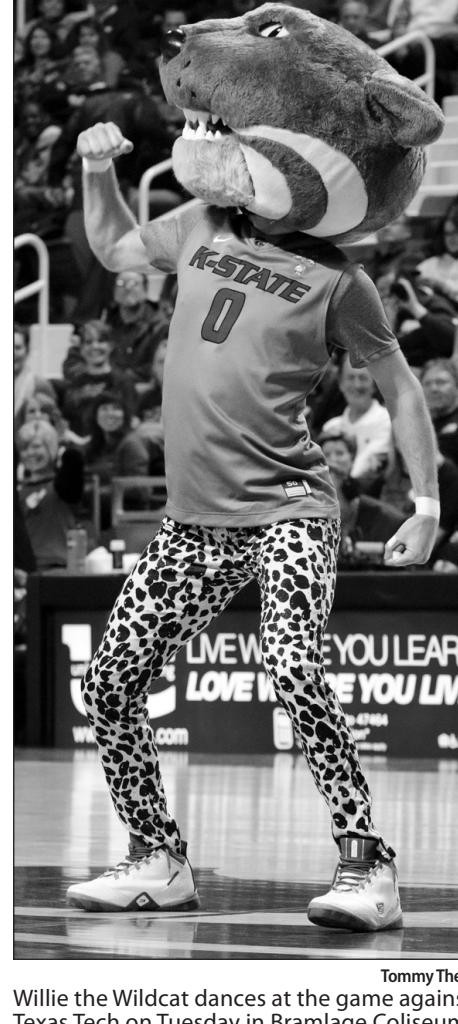
Not everyone can do this. Many people try out, but in the end, there is only one Willie the Wildcat. But even with one, there is more than enough Willie to go around.

The tryouts to be Willie are held each spring; an informational meeting will be held on April 25 in the Legends room of Bramlage Coliseum.

At the tryout, prospective Willies must navigate an obstacle course, do plenty of push-ups and run a giant flag around, among other things, to prove they have what it takes to lead the Wildcat nation.

They also have to learn all of the Willie moves such as leading the K-S-U chant and how to sign Willie's signature.

Being Willie is not a job. It is not an extracurricular activity. It is not a hobby. Being Willie is a lifestyle.



Tommy Theis
Willie the Wildcat dances at the game against Texas Tech on Tuesday in Bramlage Coliseum.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Wildcats to take on Texas A&M in final showdown

K-State beat the Aggies in January, 71-69, in overtime win.

Kelly McHugh
sports editor

Next year the Texas A&M Aggies will become a part of the Southeastern Conference, so tonight, when the K-State women's basketball team steps onto the court to take on the Aggies in Reed Arena at 7 p.m., it will be their final time playing in College Station, Texas.

K-State (15-7, 6-4) started off the second half of their Big 12 Conference season against the toughest team in the league, the No. 1 Baylor Bears. While it seems things can only go up for the Wildcats after suffering a 29-point loss

to the Bears, Texas A&M (16-5, 7-3) is ranked No. 2 in the Big 12 and will be a tough contest for K-State.

"Well the hard part against A&M is that they just flat out don't let you run the things you want to run," said K-State assistant coach Kamie Ethridge. "They just blow up everything. They jump up into screens, so a lot of the things that you plan to run against them you don't get to."

Ethridge went on to say Texas A&M tries to make their opponents panic, and if they get a team to panic then they will feed off the mistakes that come with that panicked mentality. She said K-State needs to be patient and versatile on the court against the Aggies.

"We need to be really solid with the ball, be sure of our passes," Ethridge said.

BBALL | K-State has only eight games left in season



Tommy Theis | Collegian
Rodney McGruder, junior guard, scored 10 points during the game against Texas Tech. This win gives K-State their 11th home win, only losing two home games so far this season.

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teammates are down to eight opportunities. Your team is down to eight opportunities. We should be past that at this time in the year but obviously we weren't today. I didn't do a very good job of getting them prepared to play or excited about playing."

The 46 points totaled by the Red Raiders is the fifth fewest allowed by a K-State team in a Big 12 Conference game.

"The one thing I was excited about was that our zone defense was pretty good today," Martin said. "We got a little lazy but I thought for the most part

junior Kelsey Bone and 6-foot-7-inch freshman Rachel Mitchell who will pose a threat to the Wildcats with their size.

While the Aggies have talent and size, if the Wildcats' play tonight parallels that of their last meeting against Texas A&M then they will be off to a good start.

Junior guard for K-State, Brittany Chambers, put away 21 points against Texas A&M during their last meeting, and senior guard Tasha Dickey also had an impressive game scoring 17 points. Junior guard Mariah White achieved her first career double-double with 12 points and 11 rebounds.

"We beat this team before, so they're going to want to kick our butts," Childs said. "We've got to be prepared to face a tough team and be ready to play on both ends of the floor."

Two-minute drill

Corbin McGuire
staff writer

UFC

Jon Jones, current Ultimate Fighting Championship light heavyweight champion, and former titleholder Rashad Evans will face off on April 21 in Atlanta.

Jones and Evans were former teammates under the coaching of trainer Greg Jackson in Albuquerque, N.M.

Evans had previously stated he would not fight Jones, but changed his mind after Jones admitted he would defend his light heavyweight championship against Evans.

Evans parted ways with Jackson and the war of words between Evans and his former teammate have fueled the hype for their fight ever since.

The fight many mixed martial art fans have been looking forward to will be the main event at UFC 145, which will also feature fights between former World Extreme Cagefighting champion Miguel Torres and the up-and-coming Michael McDonald.

NFL

Ricky Williams announced his retirement from the NFL Tuesday after playing 11 seasons with three different teams, most recently with the Baltimore Ravens.

"The NFL has been an amazing page in this chapter of my life," Williams said in a statement released by the University of Texas. "I pray that all successive adventures offer me the same potential for growth, success and, most importantly, fun. I want to thank all my fans, teammates, coaches and supporters for the strength they've given me to overcome so much."

Williams, Heisman Trophy winner, started his NFL career with the New Orleans Saints after they drafted him out of the University of Texas in 1995.

Williams retired shortly once before and missed the 2004 season with a four-game suspension awaiting him but returned to the league in 2005.

Since being drafted, Williams racked up 10,000 rushing yards and scored 74 touchdowns.

Williams is one of only 26 NFL running backs to rush for more than 10,000 yards in a career.

NCAA

According to a report from ESPN's Joe Schad, Memphis is nearing an agreement to join the Big East Conference in all sports in 2013.

Central Florida, Houston, SMU, Navy, San Diego State and Boise State will also be joining the Big East in the future.

The Big East is losing West Virginia to the Big 12 Conference and Pittsburgh and Syracuse to the Atlantic Coast Conference.

The Big East's intentions has been to reach a total of 12 football teams in order to have a conference championship. The addition of Memphis, plus incumbent schools Cincinnati, Connecticut, Louisville, Rutgers and South Florida could help the conference reach that goal by 2015.

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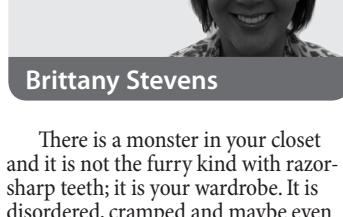
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Streamlining old wardrobe eliminates unwanted clothing



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Piles of clothing often accumulates quickly if old wardrobes are kept in the closet. Getting rid of old fashions creates space for new clothes that are appropriate for the current season and style.



Brittany Stevens

There is a monster in your closet and it is not the furry kind with razor-sharp teeth; it is your wardrobe. It is disordered, cramped and maybe even a little smelly. If one more article of clothing is added, the whole thing is likely to burst like Rebecca Bloomwood's closet in "Confessions of a Shopaholic."

It may be premature to begin your spring-cleaning for the semester, but designers' spring collections are hitting stores and if you are graduating come spring you might want to lighten your load.

Parker Rayl, junior in microbiology, uses a scientific approach to maintaining his closet — equilibrium.

"If I'm buying new clothes, then I'm getting rid of clothes," Rayl said.

He said he wears about 90 percent of his wardrobe. Among the 10 percent that goes unworn are embossed, Affliction-inspired "Jersey Shore"-esque T-shirts and a pair of well-worn camouflage work boots he wore on his family's ranch.

Like Rayl, over the years we accumulate clothing, items that no longer interest us that are pushed back into the black abyss. The task at hand, you worry, might swallow you whole with hours of sifting, deciding and fighting

down reflexive excuses like:

- "My grandmother bought me that."
- "I just have to find the right place to wear it."
- "It is brand name."
- "It might be worth something someday."
- "It could come back in style."
- "It could fit me again someday."

Refocus: Do not think of cleaning out your wardrobe as losing something, think of it as making way for the new. Clearing out the jumble of old, ill-fitting and downright "What was I thinking?" pieces creates a space that is less cramped. It leaves the best of the best: clothes that make you feel beautiful (or handsome, gentleman), confident and good about yourself.

With fewer pieces you can easily see what you have.

Assess and gain perspective: Peruse the racks, the dressers, the storage containers, the top shelves, even those out-of-sight, out-of-mind under-the-bed boxes and mentally catalog the inventory. Recalling the standout pieces makes parting with the average ones a much sweeter sorrow.

Pulling teeth: Sift through the garments. Select items you have not worn

for six months or longer and make a pile. No need to panic, you are not letting go yet.

Back to basics: As a reward allow yourself to preserve the basics. Basics are articles of clothing to be layered with just about anything. They form the foundation for which your wardrobe revolves. For both sexes examples include plain cotton T-shirts, a crisp white button-up and a pair of perfect-fitting blue jeans.

Try it on for size: There must be some reason the pile you made has been discarded. Did it ever fit in the first place? Is it completely not your style? An impulse buy? Outdated? Figure out why it is collecting dust by trying each item on in front of a full-length mirror. The garment may no longer fit, is not flattering or no longer feels comfortable. By trying on garments you have not worn in a while, you might also discover a renewed interest. From this step make "keep" and "ditch" piles.

Disposal: Now what? You have a mess and might be tempted to throw it in the trash, but think twice. While natural fibers like cotton and wool biodegrade eventually, synthetic fibers like polyester and nylon could take hundreds of years to decompose if they do at all.

"It's only in the last maybe 15 years that we've thought of clothing as being disposable," said Kim Hiller-Connell, assistant professor of apparel and textiles. "That's what is driving all of this — fast fashion — it's all about

every six weeks getting new fashions into the stores then creating this sense of urgency within consumers of having to buy more and more and more and not wear what they already have in their closet."

But, there are alternatives to creating waste.

Misti LeMoine, owner of Manhattan-based T-La-Re, a "second hand store with a twist," said a wardrobe goal should be: "in your backseat if you were to put a clothing rod across it because you have to move, everything would fit ... It's not very sensible to have a bunch of things you're not using when there's someone else who could benefit from it."

The life of your garment doesn't have to end with you. In fact, there are some great options at hand for the disposal of your unwanted clothes. Besides selling on sites like eBay, some companies like Nike, Patagonia and Kenneth Cole will repurpose and recycle your items so that they have a new life.

Besides those options, there are also some great local options you can use. The Salvation Army Thrift Store, Seven Dolors Catholic Parish and St. Paul's Episcopal Church are always taking donations and can provide a feel-good rush of doing a good deed.

If you're short on cash, Rockstar & Rogers is a local place that will pay you depending on the clothing's condition. Another store is T-La-Re, which will resell some of your clothes and donate the rest.

Repurpose: Once you have exhausted all of your options, be creative.

Repurpose old T-shirts into a quilt, sew a handbag out of old jeans patches or make a fabric flag garland. If you are no Martha Stewart, spiral cut a T-shirt into a scarf, use old men's underwear and socks for dust mitts or tie-dye a stained garment, LeMoine said. Search craft websites like Pinterest or magazines and get funky.

Investigate: Keep your eye open for unique opportunities in the community. For example, Career and Employment Services holds periodic Career Closet events for donating business casual and professional clothing.

Systematize: The last step in streamlining your closet is organizing. Invest in appropriate hangers. Everyone hates those annoying pointy shoulders wire hangers leave on wool sweaters or pesky silks that slide off metal ones.

Put every piece where you can see it. Do not fold garments that easily wrinkle. The idea is for clothes to be ready to wear.

Find an organizational system. You do not have to go as far as color coding, but find a method that works for you.

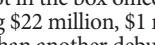
Because a major source of our bulging closets is fast fashion, Hiller-Connell said streamlining your wardrobe can begin with the purchasing decisions you make.

"If we bought good quality clothes that would last, could be mended, could be altered, we wouldn't have to dispose of our clothes as frequently," she said.

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New movie creatively mixes two genres; dialogue needs work

"Chronicle"



movie review by Tyler Brown

This past weekend, "Chronicle" debuted and earned the top spot in the box office, gaining \$22 million, \$1 million more than another debut, "The Woman in Black." With this being Josh Trank's directorial entrance into the world of cinema, he decided to mix two genres that have become a staple of the entertainment industry.

The first would be the "superhero" genre, which got its start back in 1938 with the debut of the first superhero, Superman, in "Action Comics" #1. As time has gone on and technological know-how has improved, Hollywood has gained the means to make these larger than life characters more plausible for life on silver screens the world over. Although there has been some stinkers, films like "Superman," "Spider-Man 2," "Kick-Ass" and most recently, "X-Men: First Class" have charmed audiences by being fun, having great special effects for their time and featuring characters with depth and humanity.

The second genre melded into "Chronicle" is the found footage angle. This type of filmmaking has crept into Hollywood and has never really dissolved as a whole. Popular films that have made use of this style are "The Blair Witch Project," "Cloverfield" and, more recently, the "Paranormal Activity" films. Intense sequences and shaky cameras aside, one always has the urge to ask "who put all this



'Chronicle' movie poster

footage together?" That question doesn't waver much after seeing "Chronicle," but that doesn't mean it wasn't entertaining.

"Chronicle" focuses on Andrew, Matt and Steve, three Seattle high school teens. The perspective is mainly from Andrew, as he is an introvert who takes to filming everything

with a camera. Matt is Andrew's cousin who tries to get Andrew out more but is still finding his own place in the world. Steve is the charismatic jock and high school politician. It's when these three different adolescent guys stumble upon something incredible in the woods that they gain powers and are brought together

through the shared experience. However, as with any interesting plot, things change and aren't so happy-go-lucky by the film's end.

The basic way to explain their powers is telekinesis, or moving things with one's mind. This allows the guys to stop a baseball mid-pitch, play pranks and, eventually, fly. As they use

their abilities more and more, it's a kind of mental workout; this results in them becoming increasingly strong and able to move larger objects.

Dane DeHaan is great as the introverted Andrew — a boy whose life is so grim that I couldn't really blame him for lashing out. Alex Russel was

interesting as the conflicted Matt, whose morals are tested. Rounding out the trio is Michael B. Jordan as Steve, he's as funny as he is popular and was disappointed to see him fall out of the story. Although this cast may be young, they brought these characters to life in spite of some cheesy dialogue.

Where this film focuses on the experimentation and use of the trio's powers, things can be fun for the audience. Although dark elements are a must for today's viewers, when we visit Andrew's home life a few times too many, the plot is slowed down a bit. It's in the last 20 minutes that a citywide brawl captured on various civilian and security cameras that things really pick up and we get to see these kids use their powers to their full extent.

What first attracted me to "Chronicle" was the mixture of genres that it presented. What got me invested even more in the film was that we actually get to see three teens experiment and, most importantly, have fun while doing so. This isn't a film about super-powered people finding any kind of "calling" they're merely trying to gain a foothold after their lives are changed forever. There are no costumes and no capes, these kids rock their secret identities the entire time and it works thanks to Trank's direction. Although some of the dialogue and pacing may be off, "Chronicle" is a film worth checking out if you're a fan of either genre it represents.

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ARREST REPORTS

MONDAY
Jerome Justin Novack, of the 800 block of Colorado Street, was booked for probation violation. Bond was set at \$1,500.

Kenny Lee Malone, of the 1400 block of Cambridge Place, was booked for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$7,500.

Rebecca Ann Thomas, of the 700 block of Pebblebrook Circle, was booked for domestic battery. Bond was set at \$500.

TUESDAY
Kenneth Dale Foster, of Leonardville, Kan., was booked for disorderly conduct. Bond was set at \$500.

Jesse Lee Torno, of Assaria, Kan., was booked for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$1,000.

Compiled by Sarah Rajewski

Daily briefs

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Proposition 8 declared 'unconstitutional' by federal appeals court

California's ban on same-sex marriage was declared unconstitutional by a federal appeals court on Tuesday, clearing the U.S. Supreme Court to rule on gay marriage as early as next year.

The 2-1 decision by a panel of the U.S. 9th Circuit Court of Appeals found that Proposition 8, the 2008 proposal measure that limited marriage to one man and one woman, violated the U.S. Constitution. The creators of Prop. 8 plan to appeal the court's decision.

Gays and lesbians were entitled to marry in California for six months after the California Supreme Court struck down a state ban in May 2008. The state high court later upheld Proposition 8 as a valid amendment of the California Constitution, before the anti-gay marriage proposal was struck down on Tuesday.

The ruling was narrow and likely to be limited to California.

Junction City man pleads no contest at ongoing murder trial

Mekel Anthony McAlpine, 26, of Junction City, pled no contest to charges of aiding a felon during an ongoing trial for a murder that occurred on the night of Jan. 27, 2007.

McAlpine was charged with aiding Kenneth Durell Dotson, of Junction City, who was charged with voluntary manslaughter and firearms charges in the murder of Terrell Morris, of Flint Hills Place, Manhattan.

After the Riley County Police Department investigated the case extensively, officers discovered that McAlpine was the driver of the car that transported Dotson and Marchello Woods, another accomplice, to Morris' residence. McAlpine also drove Dotson and Woods away from the scene to help dispose of the evidence after Dotson shot and killed Morris.

Dotson is currently serving a sentence with the Kansas Department of Corrections that started in 2009. Woods was convicted in 2010 for aiding a felon and is currently on parole with the KDC. McAlpine is also currently incarcerated in the KDC and will wait to hear the result of his no contest plea.

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been removed.

Greene said wastes collected for storage are now being housed in a smaller building on the same site as well as in the King Annex, which is designed to house hazardous materials. As a result the wastes collected are now shipped out more frequently, stored for only 40-45 days before being collected by the contractor.

According to Greene, there are future plans to construct another building to house the hazardous materials once everything has been cleared. She also said the removal of the landfill was the best thing to do in the long term.

While the landfill was used to store low-level radioactive wastes, Galizter said none of its contents come from the nuclear reactor facility on campus.

"We don't get their waste

because nuclear reactor falls under federal laws whereas the low-level radioactive waste that we generate on campus falls under our campus license which are two separate things," Galizter said.

Jeffrey Geuther, nuclear reactor facility manager, said there are two types of radioactive waste that comes from their facility: high-level wastes, such as spent fuel rods, and low-level wastes like rubber

gloves that they handled samples with, paper towels, etc.

Low-level wastes generated at the nuclear reactor facility are stored on site until they have decayed down enough to be removed.

"We really don't make all that much high-level waste here," Geuther said. "Considering the amount of spent fuel we do generate, we could store, say, 20 years worth on site before we would have to have

it taken away."

Geuther said removal of spent fuel rods would be handled by the Department of Energy, not by K-State.

"There's really very little risk that radioactive material would get out without our knowledge," he said. "It's an access controlled facility and the key to the room holding the low-level waste is controlled more tightly than access to the facility in general."

FAIR | Resumes accepted

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Electric and said this was his fourth time he participated in the Engineering Career Fair in Manhattan.

"We are looking for all sorts of mechanical and industrial manufacturing majors," Banks said. "We are looking specifically for interns. We are going to do some interviews tomorrow on campus."

Banks said it is always tough to apply oneself as a student. He advised K-Staters to work hard and try to make a good impression and said that is how he managed to get hired by General Electric.

Specific companies were looking just for U.S. citizens. Phil Thurston, director of Engineering Intergral Technologies, said they were mainly looking for radio frequency engineers. His company, however, is involved with military business, which makes it difficult for foreigners to apply.

"We have some restrictions on U.S. citizenship or permanent residence," Thurston said.

Similar restrictions have made it much more difficult for students like Yang Wang, graduate student in mechanical engineering, to find employment.

"It's more difficult for international students to find a job," Wang said. "We need sponsorship to work here. I've checked all these companies online. I think just three or four of them provide sponsorship for my major."

International students graduating from American universities have

to find sponsorship, which is an authorization to work in the U.S. If no sponsorship is found, international students are granted temporary permission for employment optional practical training and can work within the U.S. for one year.

Wang is from China and graduating this May and is looking for an engineering job or another job related to engineering.

The Engineering Career Fair managed to increase their company attendance rate by 23 percent, a sign that Neighbors said should be encouraging despite the sluggish economy.

"Most of companies I talked to, they are growing rapidly," Neighbors said. "Some companies we don't even have enough students to supply them. There is a lot of growth right now in some companies. They are here to seek out students."

Students who participated in the fair, said the event was very well organized. Collin Finley, junior in software engineering, said the layout of the fair was convenient because all the companies were close together.

"You don't really have to walk too far to find a company," Finley said.

Wesley Nyberg, graduate student in civil engineering, said that he appreciated the fact that he had the opportunity to leave his resume with potential employers.

"I think it's going good," Nyberg said. "This semester they are actually taking resumes, while last semester no one was really taking resumes. I like it, it seems like a lot more companies have job openings."

CITY COMMISSION

Overcrowding ordinance discussed; award presented

Jakki Thompson
assistant news editor

The Manhattan City Commission held a meeting at City Hall on Tuesday to continue discussion of an overcrowding ordinance that was first introduced in January, and to grant a Manhattan resident with the Mayor's Community Service Award.

For more than half of the meeting, city commissioners, the Riley County Police Department, the Manhattan Fire Department, community members and business owners from the Manhattan community came to speak about the ordinance which was on the general agenda for the first reading since its revision.

A 3-2 two vote approved the ordinance which would give RCPD the ability to issue citations for an infraction of over-crowding.

Bar owners from Aggierville, who came forward to speak about their concerns, said that there has not been enough time to prove to the city that the businesses can self-police.

The concerns from the city commissioners stemmed from the lack of patrolling and enforcement concerning overcrowding issues.

Overcrowding has proven to be an ongoing issue in the Aggierville Business District.

City commissioners spoke about the meeting of the Community Advisory Board that was earlier on Tuesday. They discussed improving communication between all of these different groups.

Because the fire department has to patrol during the weekend to enforce the overcrowding concerns, the city has incurred extra costs that could strain law enforcement budget. The MFD staff has had to cycle shifts with patrolling Aggierville on weekends.

More discussion and continued changes to Chapter 4 of the city ordinances in regard to over-

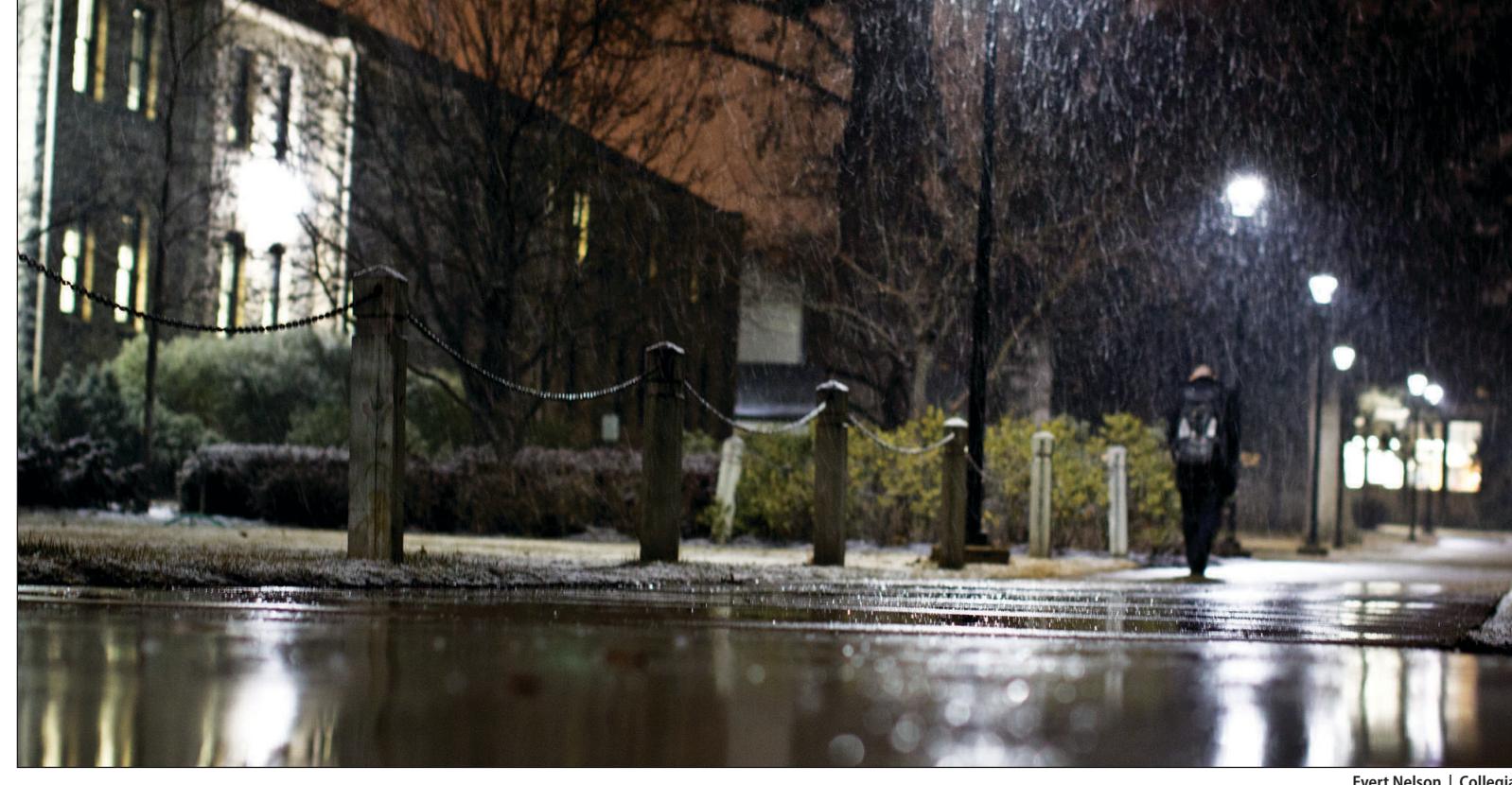
crowding will continue in the future. One suggestion has been to revoke liquor licenses from the bar owners or managers, which is not favored by the commissioners. There are also other changes that will be made to make sure the city ordinances comply with the state and district codes.

Discussion on this topic will continue, as the city aims to find a solution for overcrowding in Aggierville. Overcrowding has traditionally occurred during Fake Patty's Day, which is about five weeks away.

After the overcrowding ordinance was discussed, the commission moved to other business.

Mayor Jim Sherow awarded Dawson Adams, Manhattan resident, with the Mayor's Community Service Award for saving an infant from a pool at the Clarion Hotel. Adams noticed that the infant was drowning at the bottom of the pool and he pulled the infant to safety. Adam's aunt administered CPR to the infant.

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